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ITEM# 1801 (03891)
OPC# 108872
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SPECIFICATION FOR: ITALIAN BLEND

LABEL: FLAV-R-PAC/AMERICAN HARVEST

BUYER: NORPAC

PACKAGE SIZE: 6/4 LBS.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS: Product, production procedures, and packaging used shall conform to good manufacturing practices and all Federal, State, and Local regulations.

COUNTRY of ORIGIN: USA

INGREDIENT STATEMENT: Zucchini, Cauliflower, Carrots, Italian Type Green Beans, Lima Beans, Red Peppers, Salt.

VARIETIES: No GMO Varieties Allowed

GRADE: Individual components shall meet USDA Grade Standards where applicable. Grade A for all components.

| INGREDIENTS | DESCRIPTION | CATEGORY | TARGET% | RANGE% | SCORE |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------|---------|--------|-------|
| ZUCCHINI GREEN | 3/8" Qtr. Cr. Sl. | (22-0031) | 25% | ±5% | 36 |
| CAULIFLOWER | ¾"-1¼" Lo- A | (09-0055) | 24% | ±5% | 18 |
| CARROTS, KS4 | 3/8" Cr. Sl. ½"-1" | (07-0009) | 23% | ±5% | 27 |
| ITALIAN BEANS | R16, 1 ½" Cut | (06-0005) | 18% | ±5% | 37 |
| LIMA BEANS | Baby, Lo- A | (82-0004) | 7% | ±2% | 95/5 |
| RED PEPPERS | 3/8", Diced | (84-0035) | 3% | ±1% | |

COLOR: **GRADE A** -- Shall have good color. The basic vegetable blend as a mass and the individual ingredients are bright and characteristic of young, tender vegetables.
Baby Limas: 95% green, and no more than 0.5% white maximum

SIZE: **Zucchini:** Qtr. Cr. Sl., 3/8" (4/16"-7/16") thickness crinkle cuts, quartered from 1"-2" diameter, measured at the widest diameter of the head. 90%/wt. must be within this range.
Cauliflower: ¾"-1¼" diameter. 90%/wt. must be within this range.
Carrots: Crinkle Sliced Cuts KS4. Diameter ½"-1" (4/16"-7/16") thickness. 90%/wt. must be within these ranges.
Italian Type Green Beans: 1½" Cuts. Maximum 10%by ct. <3/4".
Lima Beans: Field Run
Red Peppers: Diced 3/8".The units are practically uniform in size and the aggregate weight of all the units which are noticeably smaller than one-half the area of an average sized unit and of all markedly large and irregular-shaped units does not exceed 10 percent of all the units.

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DEFECTS: GRADE A -- Practically free of defects. Defects present shall not more than slightly affect the appearance or edibility of the product. The presence of small pieces and/or chaff does not more than slightly affect the overall appearance of the product.
Defects/32oz. (2 lbs.)
SERIOUS DAMAGE: 2 Units
MODERATE DAMAGE: 5 Units
TOTAL (slight, serious, and moderate) 19 Units
H.E.M.: 1 Unit

CHARACTER: GRADE A -- Shall have good character. As a mass, the character shall be typical of vegetables that have reached a proper stage of maturity and have been properly processed.

FLAVOR & AROMA: Shall possess good flavor and aroma, typical of properly processed frozen vegetables. No off flavors or odors.

SAMPLE SIZE: 32oz. (Ratios-Entire Package)

BLANCHING: Shall be adequate to maintain uniform texture of final cooked product. Lima Beans shall be double blanched for cooked product tenderness.

FREEZING: The vegetables shall be promptly frozen in accordance with the best quick-freezing method(s).

CODING: NORPAC CODING SYSTEM

STORAGE/HANDLING: The merchandise must not show evidence of improper storage or handling usually denoted by the presence of refrozen, discolored or dehydrated product.
STORAGE TEMPERATURE: 0°F. and below.
SHELF LIFE: 24 MONTHS.
METAL DETECTION REQUIRED

MICROBIOLOGICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

APC..... <100,000/g
Coliform..... <100/g
E. coli..... <10/g
Staph +..... <10/g

NOTES:

1. 08/2013 New item specification for FLAV-R-PAC/American Harvest Label.
2. 09/2014 Updated specification and micro. Change Carrot category from 07-0014 5/8"-7/8" KS4X to 07-0009 1/2"-1" KS4 per Repack request.
3. 09/2014 Name change from Italian Vegetables to Italian Blend per NIFS.
4. 10/2017 Updated.
5. 08/2018 Updated.
6. 06/2019 Category change for Zucchini to Non-GMO.
7. 03/2020 Updated. Added OPC item number.

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